ANALYSES OF THE STATEWIDE MEASURES
APPEARING ON THE ELECTION BALLOT
NOVEMBER 3, 2026

The following analysis is for the measures appearing on the statewide General Election ballot on November 3, 2026. This publication is required by section 16.1-01-07 of the North Dakota Century Code to enable voters to become familiar with the effect of proposed measures. The full text of each measure is available from the North Dakota Office of the Secretary of State at vote.nd.gov, by phone at 701-328-4146, or from the office of any County Auditor.

As required by section 16.1-01-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, a copy of the Legislative Council's report on the estimated fiscal impact is available from the North Dakota Office of the Secretary of State at vote.nd.gov, by phone at 701-328-4146, or by writing to the North Dakota Secretary of State, 600 E Boulevard Ave., Dept 108, Bismarck ND 58505-0500.

Analysis of Initiated Constitutional Measure No. 2

Initiated Constitutional Measure No. 2 was placed on the ballot by petitions circulated by a sponsoring committee. If approved, it would add a new section to article VIII of the North Dakota Constitution.

This initiated measure amendment would amend and add a new section to article VIII of the North Dakota Constitution. It would mandate all public school districts, public schools, and public charter schools to provide one breakfast and one lunch each school day to enrolled students at no cost to the student, parent, or guardians. It would allow nonpublic schools, Bureau of Indian Education schools, and other tribal schools the option to provide the same. It would require the State of North Dakota to reimburse school districts and schools at one hundred percent of the current rates used by the state for free meals, and the rate shall be adjusted annually for inflation. It would require the legislative assembly to identify a source of funds for reimbursement and if a source of funds is unable to be identified, reimbursement funds would be appropriated from the legacy earnings fund. This amendment would supersede any other part of the constitution that conflicts with it.

The estimated fiscal impact of this measure is a $124.3 million to $134.3 million increase in ongoing biennial expenditures for the 2027–2029 biennium and will be adjusted for inflation every year after that.

Voting **"YES"** means you approve the measure summarized above. Voting "**NO**" means you reject the measure summarized above.